

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: 92/P03-014A

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 and a Petition for a three-month Extension of Time to respond to the final Office action mailed on March 4, 2009, for the following application:

**Application**

Application Serial No:	10/743,577
Filed on:	December 22, 2003
Inventors:	Sveum et al.
Title:	BRACE SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR A VEHICLE AT A LOADING DOCK
Art Unit:	3652
Examiner:	Joshua I. Rudawitz
Attorney Docket No.:	92/P03-014A

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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being electronically deposited with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 4, 2009.

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## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

### a. Previously Submitted:

- i. ☐ Consider the response to the Office action dated \_\_\_\_\_, previously submitted on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### b. Submitted Herewith:

- i. ☒ Reply (Response to the final Office action dated March 4, 2009)
- ii. ☐ Declaration Of Common Ownership
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Fees

### ☒ Fee for Claims

- ☒ The fee for additional claims [(37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d))] has been calculated as shown below:

					SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	21	MINUS	26	= 0	x26=	\$	x52=	\$0.00
INDEP.	2	MINUS	3	= 0	x110=	\$	x220=	\$0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+195=	\$	+390=	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE</b>					\$		<b>OR</b>	\$0.00

Extension of Time

- ☒ This is a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION (Months)	FEE FOR LARGE ENTITY		FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY	
One Month		\$130.00		\$65.00
Two Months		\$490.00		\$245.00
Three Months	X	\$1,110.00		\$555.00
Four Months		\$1,730.00		\$865.00
Fifth Month		\$2,350.00		\$1,175.00

**If an additional Extension of Time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.**

Extension Fee: \$1,110.00

- ☐ An extension for            month(s) has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$            is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Deduction: \$

**Extension Fee Due With This Request \$1,110.00**

### 3. Method of Payment

- a. ☒ An electronic funds transfer in the amount of \$1,920.00 is submitted for the following:
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$810)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17(a) (\$1,110.00)
- iii. ☐ Other:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2455.

Please direct all future communications to the address below.

Respectfully submitted,

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